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**ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.378(e), filed May 9, 2008, to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

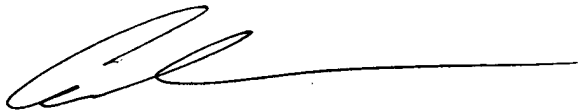
This patent expired on May 26, 2007 for failure to pay the seven and one-half year maintenance fee. Since the initial petition was submitted within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

The petition decision mailed April 25, 2008 indicates the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c) filed September 27, 2007 was dismissed for failure to provide the surcharge and the total maintenance fee.

The instant petition includes the necessary fees. The surcharge and remainder of the maintenance fee have been charged to petitioner's deposit account.

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Carl Friedman at (571) 272-6842.

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